OMB Control Number 1010-0090 Expires 09/30/2004

Stripper Royalty Rate Reduction Notification Form MMS-4377

OPERATOR NAME: I				DATE SUBMITTED:		
OPERATOR NUMB	ER:					
PERSON TO CONT	ACT:					
				Area Code	Telephone Number	Extension
LEASE NUMBERS(S)	AGREEMENT NUMBER \1	QUALIFYING OR CURRENT PERIOD \2	QUALIFYING ROYALTY RATE	ROY	RRENT 'ALTY E IE \3	FFECTIVE DATES \4

NOTE: THIS NOTIFICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO MMS AND ALL PAYORS ON THE LEASES.

- \1 Include agreement number for any lease located in an agreement. All leases in the agreement must be listed separately. \2 Initial qualifying period August 1, 1990, through July 31, 1991, or current period. If the property does not initially qualify, subsequent qualifying period would be the latest 12-month period before the property qualifies (i.e., a 12-month rolling average).
- **\3** Current period royalty rate must be compared to qualifying period royalty rate and the lower of the two rates will be the royalty rate for the subsequent year, when notification is received by MMS.
- N4 Reduced Royalty Rate is not effective until the month after this notification is received by the MMS. See 43 CFR Part 3100 for complete instructions

THE PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT OF 1995 REQUIRES US TO INFORM YOU THAT THIS INFORMATION IS BEING COLLECTED TO AID THE MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE (MMS) IN UPDATING ITS DATABASE WITH ACCEPTED REDUCED ROYALTY RATES. OPERATORS OF STRIPPER OIL PROPERTIES USE A FORMULA DEVELOPED BY BLM AND INCLUDED UNDER 43 CFR 3103.4-2(B)(3)(II) TO DETERMINE THE REDUCED ROYALTY RATE. OPERATORS ARE THEN REQUIRED TO NOTIFY THE MMS OF THE REDUCED ROYALTY RATE. RESPONDENTS NEED ONLY SUBMIT THIS INFORMATION IF THEY CHOOSE TO OBTAIN A REDUCTION IN THE ROYALTY RATE FOR A PROPERTY PRODUCING AN AVERAGE OF LESS THAN 15 BARRELS OF OIL PER ELIGIBLE WELL PER WELL-DAY. WE ESTIMATE THE ANNUAL BURDEN FOR VOLUNTARILY FILING IS 1.2 HOURS. COMMENTS ON THE ACCURACY OF THIS BURDEN ESTIMATE OR SUGGESTIONS ON REDUCING THIS BURDEN SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE INFORMATION COLLECTION CLEARANCE OFFICER, MMS, MS 4230, 1849 C STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, DC 20240. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR IS PROTECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE FEDERAL OIL AND GAS ROYALTY MANAGEMENT ACT OF 1982 (30 U.S.C. 1733), THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (5 U.S.C. 552(B)(4), AND THE DEPARTMENTAL REGULATIONS (43 CFR 2). THE INDIAN MINERALS DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1982 (25 U.S.C. 2103) PROVIDES THAT ALL INFORMATION RELATED TO ANY INDIAN MINERALS AGREEMENT COVERED BY THE ACT IN THE POSSESSION OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE HELD AS PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. STORAGE OF SUCH INFORMATION AND ACCESS TO IT IS CONTROLLED BY STRICT SECURITY MEASURES. AN AGENCY MAY NOT CONDUCT OR SPONSOR, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.